

MOST of us about this time are hunting up our last year's overcoat to see if it is fit for another season. Some, doubtless, are sorry now they didn't spend a nickel for a new one, and a few hapless ones may have suffered from prosperity and find themselves a size or two bigger than they bargained for. However that may be, the fact remains that there will be quite a number of men needing overcoats just now, and possibly you are, yourself, among them. If so, we invite you to give us a call and look over those famous



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BALFOUR MAKES SPEECH IN WHICH HE OUTLINES THE TARIFF SITUATION

Premier's Widely Heralded Expression
Delivered at Sheffield to an
Immense Crowd.

Says That a Wall of Protection Has Been Built Up Around Other
Great Nations and That England's Hope Lies in Reciprocity
Measures That Will Force Satisfactory Trade
Treaties to Revive Waning Commerce.

Sheffield, Oct. 1.—Premier Balfour tonight delivered the speech which has long been heralded as the first heavy gun to be fired in the fiscal reform campaign which is absorbing the attention of the United Kingdom, her colonies and indeed the whole world and which has caused the present cabinet crisis.

Balfour in the course of the speech did not even hint at the successors in the cabinet to Chamberlain, Lord Geo. Hamilton and Ritchie. In fact he did not mention the ministerial resignations. Tonight's meeting was held in Artillery drill hall, the largest auditorium available. Fully 5000 persons gathered at the hall and thousands more attended overflow meetings. The Earl of Derby introduced Balfour in a brief speech.

"What is it?" the premier asked, "that has brought this topic into exceptional prominence? There are those who would attribute it to that great speech delivered by a great man, Chamberlain, in May, last, but something more is required to account for the phenomenon."

Mr. Balfour attributed the prominence to the fact that the country was in closer touch with the colonies as the result of the late war and the reports of the ministers in the colonies who had brought before the empire the question of tariff reform; also because, for a long time prior to the development of the present controversy, there had been great uneasiness among the parties as to the conditions of British trade in relation to the trade of the world. The last few years, continued Mr. Balfour, had been filled with refutations of prophecies made by great tariff reformers. He believed the reforms of 1896 were necessary at that time, but every year of the last 30 had contradicted the prophecies of the reformers. For 30 years England, without making a sign, had watched the wall of hostile tariffs growing up and dividing nations from nations.

"Our own colonies, our own flesh and blood, the very sinews of a growing empire," proceeded Balfour, "are building up, one after another a system of protection which, when it reaches its logical conclusion, will make it as hard to export to them as to America or other protective countries."

"Now, if I have rightly described the dangers and evils we suffer, you are

entitled to ask me if I know of a cure. My answer will be disappointing. I know of no cure, but I know of a palliation. The ill has gone too far. You will not get the commercial nations of the world to abandon protection. I fear that you will not get the great self-governing colonies to retract the steps which we, without remonstrance, permitted them to take. I am here, therefore, to recommend a palliation which I believe to be still possible.

"It is common sense that we, the greatest commercial nation, should come forward and say 'we want to arrange treaties with you, but we have nothing to give you, nothing to withhold from you.'"

"Did any man ever hear of successful negotiations with a nation having something to give which, in case of necessity, it might withhold."

"My fundamental, essential request to you tonight is that the people of this country should give to its government the freedom of negotiation of which we have been deprived."

He was not anticipating a general tariff war but he thought "we might inform any foreign country we thought was treating us with unfairness that unless they modified their policy, we should take certain steps with regard to certain articles exported by them."

Concerning the question as to whether it was intended to reverse the verdict of the great case of free trade vs. protection, of 1846, he said:

"Our grandfathers fought the battle in view of the actual situation. I ask the nation today to follow their example and not be misled by musty debates."

"The second question is: Do you desire to reverse and alter the fundamental fiscal tradition which has prevailed for two generations? My answer is: Yes, I do."

He proposed to ask the country to reverse the annual and altogether wipe from their maxima of public conduct that they must never impose taxation except for revenue. In his judgment the country ought never to have deprived itself of the liberty of negotiating and also of something to negotiate with.

"My object is to mitigate to the utmost the injury done us by hostile tariffs. The proposed remedy will not be complete, but undoubtedly it will be useful."

EFFORT TO ABOLISH HAZING

Naval Academy Officials Take Vigorous Measures.

Annapolis, Oct. 1.—Captain Brownson, superintendent of the naval academy, is pursuing an investigation into the recent hazing by the open upper class men who have been here for the last month awaiting the examinations. The Chesapeake has been fitted up and if any more hazing occurs it is said that the whole third class will be quarantined on this ship, which would be a virtual imprisonment.

Every third class man as he reports at the academy is now being required to sign a pledge that he will not do any hazing.

ENCYCLICAL BY THE POPE.

London, Oct. 1.—A Sofia dispatch to the Times says it is rumored in Catholic circles that the pope is preparing an encyclical on the Macedonian horrors. The destruction of the crops and the heavy rains threaten to cause a famine in the devastated districts. The American missionaries intend to travel into the interior of the Monastir vilayet in order to personally aid the sufferers. The Times this morning publishes an appeal signed by the Right Hon. Anthony Evelyn Ashley, James Bruce, M. P. and others for funds to assist the destitute Macedonians.

Temporary arrangements have been made with the Rev. Mr. Bond, an American missionary at Monastir to receive and distribute the relief.

MASSACHUSETTS DEMOCRATS.

Boston, Oct. 1.—In a most harmonious state convention the Massachusetts democrats today nominated their candidates. The platform adopted seemed to be a general condemnation of the policy of the opposite party. The candidates follow:

Governor, W. A. Gaston, Boston; Lieutenant-governor, Richard Olney, Leicester; secretary of state, Ezekiel Springfield; treasurer, Thomas C. Thatcher, Yarmouth; auditor, Francis Letourneau, South Bridge; Attorney-general, John Fisher, Gloucester.

FINANCIAL WOES OF DWYER

Former Astorian Is Discharged From Bankruptcy.

New York, Oct. 1.—Edward L. Dwyer, a promoter and once the husband of Duchess De Castelluzza, has been discharged from bankruptcy for the second time in four years. His liabilities amounting to \$274,835, while his assets were limited to his clothes; when he went through bankruptcy in 1899 his liabilities were \$252,065, with no visible assets. His fortunes were, he said, at so low an ebb that in 1900 he enlisted in the United States marine corps.

Dwyer has carried on his mining and railroad operations in all parts of the world, and his schedules show that the debts from which he is now relieved were contracted in Vienna, Zacatecas, Mex., Boston, New Orleans Chicago and Portland, Or. One of the largest creditors is the estate of Granville S. Ingram, of Chicago, \$53,000.

OUTRAGED AND STRANGLED.

Brantford, Ont., Oct. 1.—The body of Irene Cole, aged nine, daughter of Peter Cole, expert for the Massey-Harris Company, was found on the river bank last night. The girl, who had her arm in a sling as a result of its having been broken, had been placed on the bank of the stream in the afternoon and, not returning at dusk, she was missed, and her body was found by her father. Her clothing was torn to shreds, and saturated with blood. The child had been outraged and strangled.

RHODE ISLAND DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 1.—The democrats of Rhode Island today nominated the following state ticket:

For governor, L. F. C. Garvin, of Cumberland; for lieutenant-governor, Adlard Alchambeault, of Woonsocket; for secretary of state, J. J. Gilmartin, for attorney-general, C. A. Aldrich, of Providence; for general treasurer, Clark Potter, of North Kingstown.

TO RELIEVE CHAS. H. CROMP.

Philadelphia, Oct. 1.—It is learned that a reorganization of the manage-

ment of the William Cramp & Sons Ship and Engine Building Company has been virtually decided upon. It is planned to relieve Charles H. Cramp, the president of the company, of many of his present duties and, possibly, to change his official position in the concern. When seen regarding the matter Mr. Cramp said:

"For some years I have had in contemplation the advisability of proposing methods in the Cramp management somewhat similar to that used in England for aiding the active duties pertaining to the direction of a great industrial works. Certain steps have now been taken in that direction and I expect an early accomplishment of my plan. This will be in the direction of amplifying the management by increasing the personnel. In any event, I and my son, Edwin S. Cramp, will continue to devote our energies to the interests with which I have been identified for 30 many years."

PREPARATIONS ARE WARLIKE

Bulgarian Government Taking Steps for Protection.

Sofia, Oct. 1.—The war ministry has ordered out the military contingency of recruits for October 14 instead of the beginning of the year as usual. This step, though not unconstitutional, has occasioned some surprise considering the reported improvement in the general situation. While conditions undoubtedly are more hopeful, there is a strong feeling in official quarters that the Macedonian question is very threatening and can only be settled by war.

The Bulgarian government, therefore, continues preparations for eventualities. In the meantime the Turkish diplomatic agent is conferring with ministers here and the new Bulgarian diplomatic agent at Constantinople, M. Natchevich, will go to that city tomorrow.

MORE INDICTMENTS FOUND

Two Men Arrested for Defrauding the Government.

Washington, Oct. 1.—The grand jury today brought in three more indictments against George W. Beavers, formerly chief of the salary and allowance division, and State Senator George A. Geer, of Birmingham, N. Y., on a charge of entering into a conspiracy to defraud the government in the sale of time clocks. The other two indictments were against Scott Towers who has had charge of one of the principal sub-postoffice stations in this city, accused of having received a commission on the sale of book typewriting machines to the government.

The grand jury will adjourn next Monday and the expectation is that a number of other indictments will be returned on that day.

Towers was this afternoon released on \$10,000 bail.

LIFTON FOR AMBASSADOR.

Salt Lake, Oct. 1.—"If King Edward would bring still closer together the English and American people and if he would weld more firmly the commercial interests existing between the English and American people and maintain the cordial relations of every character existing, he will make Sir Thomas Lifton his next ambassador to the United States," said United States senator Thomas Kearns, today, in speaking of and lamenting the death of Sir Michael Herbert.

"Thomas Lifton has done more during the last 15 months to increase the good fellowship and genuine friendship existing between the American and English people," continued Senator Kearns "than all the men and women on the British Isles. And he has done it with out design or knowing it, and it has not been done altogether by his yachting contests. Sir Thomas is a typical representative of the best class of England's citizenship. He is one of the most polished diplomats I have ever met, and I have met about all of them at Washington. He would make a great success as ambassador from England and I hope King Edward will realize his opportunity."

EXPORTS FOR MONTEVIDEO.

New York, Oct. 1.—What is claimed the largest cargo of merchandise ever sent from the United States to the Argentine Republic has been shipped in the steamer Hypatia, which goes from this port to Montevideo direct. The vessel carries 11,336 cubic tons of cargo consisting of harvesting machinery of all kinds, hardware, railway material, oil, drygoods and sundries.

Exports from this country to the Argentine Republic have been extremely heavy recently.

NAMED BY NEW YORK DEMOCRATS.

New York, Oct. 1.—The democrats of Greater New York tonight nominated George B. McClellan for mayor, Edward M. Grout for controller and Chas. V. Fornes to president of the board of aldermen. The nomination of Grout and Fornes, who are on the citizens' ticket, brought forth much protest, but Leader Murphy, of Tammany hall, carried his point.

WOULD BURGLARIZE HEAVEN.

Berlin, Oct. 1.—The Emperor Frederick's Church here has been entered by burglars, who abstracted a number of valuable ornaments.

THREE BROTHERS ARE ELECTROCUTED FOR THE MURDER OF AN UNCLE

Van Wormers Walk Calmly to Electric Chair at Dannemora to Suffer Extreme Penalty.

No Hitch of Any Kind Occurred to Mar the Execution and Fifteen and One-Half-Minutes After They Had Left Their Cells the Physicians Pronounced Them Dead—Autopsy Revealed Nothing Unusual.

Dannemora, N. Y., Oct. 1.—Without an accident to mar the perfect and dignified execution of the death penalty, Fred, Willis and Burton Van Wormer were put to death in 15 1-2 minutes at Clinton prison today, for the murder of their uncle, Peter A. Hallenbeck, at Greendale, Christmas, 1901. The men walked from the doors of their cells in care of the priest and flanked on either side by prison deputies, with calm demeanor, but extreme pallor.

Willis Van Wormer entered the death chamber at 11:34:30 the current was turned into the body one minute later, and at 11:37 he was pronounced dead.

At 11:41:30 Frederick entered the death chamber, at 11:42 the current was turned on, and he was declared dead at 11:43:30. Burton entered the death chamber at 11:47, the current was turned on at 11:47:30 and he was declared dead at 11:48:30. The entire proceedings from the start of the first man from his cell to the doctor's declaration of the death of the last consumed but 15 1-2 minutes, and no untoward incidents to mar the execution of the law.

During the first execution Father Charbonneau remained in the corridor between the death cells reading prayers and invocations to the remaining Van Wormers. Every precaution had been taken to prevent the remaining men from hearing more than the departure of their brother from the room. The doors had been padded and the interstices stuffed with cotton, so the steps of those who removed the lifeless body from the chamber to the morgue could not be heard. Three appli-

cations of the current and four minutes time were required for the execution of Willis, but only two applications of the current were deemed necessary in the case of Frederick, and two minutes from the time he crossed the threshold of the room the doctors pronounced him dead.

The bodies were carried out into the prison yard and the summons for the last bother was taken back by the guards. Father Belanger went with them, and when Burton was brought to the presence of death he was accompanied by two priests, Father Charbonneau having no further need to remain in the cellroom.

Either Burton was taller than his brothers or sat up straighter in the chair, for the strap which is intended to cover the eyes did not reach high enough to blindfold him and the current was switched on while he was still looking over the upper edge of the strap at the priest. He was killed even more quickly than the other two. The current was turned on at 11:47:30. Only one application was required, though it was retained slightly longer at full pressure than in the other cases.

In the case of Willis the current was on in the three contacts for 50 seconds; in that of Frederick, with two contacts, one minute and five seconds; in that of Burton, with one contact, one minute and 13 seconds, so that the actual time consumed in the execution of the three men was five minutes and 54 seconds.

The autopsy upon all three of the Van Wormer boys revealed nothing unusual. In each case the condition of the brain, heart and other organs was absolutely normal.

QUEEN'S LIFE THREATENED.

Vienna, Oct. 1.—The newspaper Bohemian reports that Queen Charlotte, of Wurtemberg, who is staying with her father, Prince William, of Schaumburg-Lippe, at the latter's castle of Nachod, Bohemia, has received anarchist letters threatening her with death. Precautions have been taken.

GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS.

Rutte, Oct. 1.—Thirteen indictments were handed down yesterday by the federal grand jury, three of which are not made public. The various offenses for which indictments were returned are unlawful cutting of timber on public lands, selling whisky to Indians and embezzlement of postoffice funds.



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